

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listing of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

1-6. (Canceled).

7. (New) A storage system comprising:

a computer; and

a storage device connected to said computer,

wherein

said storage device includes plural logical units which include one or more first logical units managed by said computer and one or more second logical units not managed by said computer;

said storage device responds with information to specify each of said plural logical units according to an inquiry from said computer;

said computer has an application controlling coupling to said logical units; and

said application enables said computer to couple to said one or more first logical units based on the information to specify each of said plural logical units, and said computer is not enabled to couple to said one or more second logical units.

8. (New) The storage system according to claim 7,

wherein said application does not inhibit said computer to couple to plural said first logical units based on the information to specify each of said plural logical units, and inhibits for said computer to couple to plural said second logical units.

9. (New) The storage system according to claim 7,

wherein said storage devices includes:

a command device exclusively receiving operation commands to one of the logical units among said plural logical units, said commands being received from said computer;

a means executing a coupling operation of one of the first logical units according to the commands received by said command device, wherein said command device is one of said plural logical units.

10. (New) The storage system according to claim 7, comprising plural computers connected to said storage device.

11. (New) The storage system according to claim 7, wherein said storage device comprises

plural logical units which include the one or more first logical units and the one or more second logical units, and

a means responding with information for specifying said plural logical units indicating connection port numbers, target IDs, and LU number of each said plural logical units according to the inquiry from said computer.

12. (New) A storage system comprising:

- a computer;
- an application; and
- a storage device connected to said computer,

wherein

said storage device comprises one or more first logical units managed by said computer and one or more second logical units not managed by said computer;

said application enables said computer to operate coupling with said one or more first logical units based on information to specify each of said plural logical units, and said computer is not able to operate coupling with said one or more second logical units.

13. (New) The storage system according to wherein claim 12, further comprising plural computers connected to said storage device.

14. (New) A storage system comprising:

plural computers;

an application; and

a storage device connected to said computers,

wherein

said storage device comprises plural logical units which include one or more first logical units, each managed by a first computer of said plural computers and one or more second logical units managed by a second computer of said plural computers;

said application enables said first computer to operate coupling of said one or more first logical units based on information to specify each of said plural logical units, and said first computer is not able to operate coupling with said one or more second logical units, while said second computer is able to operate couple with said one or more second logical units, and not able to operate coupling with said one or more first logical units, based on the information to specify each of said plural logical units.